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HOW TO PREPARE FOR THE IMMIGRANT VISA INTERVIEW

The following information is a guide to the immigrant visa interview at the U.S Embassy in Bucharest. Please read the information carefully. Failure to fulfill all requirements may lead to refusal of your visa application or delay the issuance of your visa.

Please:

- Schedule your medical exam. Click <u>here</u> for instructions.
- Register for passport delivery service here.
- Make sure you have an appointment letter for your immigrant visa interview from the National Visa Center or the U.S. Embassy. If you cannot keep your appointment, notify the Consular section by email at visasbucharest@state.gov.
- Bring the original, non-laminated version of all civil documents sent to the National Visa Center. These
 documents must be in accordance to the guidelines provided in the <u>Reciprocity Tables</u>
- If the petitioner and/or applicant's name is different than the birth certificate, you must bring evidence of the name change. This can be a legal name change document or marriage certificate.
- English translations, completed by a certified translator, must accompany civil document(s) if the document was issued in a language other than Romanian or English.
- Bring two (2) color <u>passport photographs</u> measuring 2 inches by 2 inches (5 cm by 5 cm) with a white background.

Before Your Interview

Please complete the below checklist to avoid lengthy delays and bring the below items to your interview:		
Passport(s)		
Valid passport with at least six months validity beyond the anticipated travel date, for each traveling applicant. Passport must have at least two consecutive blank pages. Passport should reflect the correct name and date of birth of the applicant. Applicants should bring all current and former/expired passports to the interview.		
Birth Certificate(s) – original and one copy		
Birth certificates issued from the appropriate issuing authority for each travelling applicant.		
Marriage Certificate(s) (if applicable) – original and one copy		
Marriage certificates for the applicant's current marriage and all prior marriages (if any).		

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Termination of Prior Marriage(s) (if applicable) – original and one copy
Evidence of termination of all prior marriage(s), such as a final divorce decree or death certificate.
Police Certificate(s) – original and one copy
Police certificates are required from your country of current residence and country of nationality for applicants 16 years of age and older if you lived in that country for at least six months. Police certificates are also required from
any other countries where the applicant lived for 12 months or more after the age of 16. Regardless of your age, you must submit a police certificate from every country where you were arrested for any reason, or appeared as a
defendant before a judge for any reason, regardless of the duration of residence in that country. If you were
arrested for any reason, you must obtain court records indicating the nature of the crime.
Note: Each police certificate must cover the entire period of the applicant's residence in that country.
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Military record from any applicant who served in the military forces of any country.
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Photographs Two color passport-size photos (5x5 cm on a white background) taken within the last six months. Write your full
name on the back of the photo. For more photo requirements, please click here.
Medical Exam – original
In most cases, the panel physician will provide the results to the applicant in a sealed envelope to bring to the
interview. Do not open the envelope. Click <u>here</u> to access the list of approved physicians.
Passport Delivery Confirmation
Prior to your appointment date, you must visit the website http://www.UStraveldocs.com or call the Visa
Information and Appointment Service at +40 31 7800 260 from 9:00 am - 9:00 pm to determine the location where you will pick up your visa. Please note, if you are calling from the U.S., you may also dial (703) 988-7105 from 7:00
am to 3:00 pm EST.
All visa applicants, including children, must be registered for a pick-up location. You must provide the passport number, date of birth, nationality, e-mail address and visa category for each applicant (principal applicant and all
family members, including children) to complete the registration process.

During the registration process you must select one of two options for receiving your visa:

- Premium Delivery: If you select this option, we will send your passport to your home or office via TNT courier. There is an additional fee for this service, which is paid directly to TNT on delivery. Please note this fee applies to each passport delivered.
- TNT Pick-up: You may pick up your passport at the TNT pick-up location of your choice. There is no additional charge for this service.

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Once registered, you will receive a confirmation letter which you must print out and bring with you to the appointment. Please register before you come to the Embassy.
Form DS-260 Immigrant Visa Electronic Application – one copy
Each applicant, including dependents, must complete <u>Form DS-260 Immigrant Visa Electronic Application</u> online, if the form has not already been submitted to NVC. Print a copy of the DS-260 confirmation page with a barcode and the applicant's picture.
Evidence of Relationship
Documents establishing the relationship between the petitioner and the principal applicant. This is not required for dependents of the principal applicant. Examples of such documents could include: family and other photographs, both old and recent, showing the parties together; letters; cards; correspondence; and telephone records.
Affidavit of Support and Financial Evidence
An Affidavit of Support Form I-864 or I-864EZ with an original signature (cannot be a photocopy or a faxed or emailed copy). Regardless of income, the petitioner must submit a Form I-864. Poverty Guidelines requirements can be found here . If the petitioner is not able to meet the sponsorship requirement through income or assets, the applicant will require a joint sponsor. In that case, you must also bring an Affidavit of Support form from those additional financial sponsors to the interview.
o Most recent U.S. tax returns, W-2s and/or schedules OR IRS transcripts from the petitioner and joint sponsor (if applicable.) If the petitioner was not required to file federal tax returns, he/she must provide a written explanation why they did not file a tax return.
NOTE: Sponsoring U.S. citizens and lawful residents must report income from <u>all</u> sources within and outside of the U.S. on their U.S. tax returns. This includes income from foreign trusts, and foreign bank and securities accounts. Not reporting income from foreign sources may be a crime.

The Day of Your Interview

1. The U.S. Embassy in Bucharest is located at the following address:

For more information regarding the Form I-864, please click <u>here.</u>

4-6, Dr. Liviu Librescu Blvd. District 1, Bucharest 015118 Romania

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2. Security Screening Procedures

Applicants are not permitted to bring weapons, large pieces of luggage, cell phones, cameras, or any type of electronic or recording device onto the grounds of the U.S. Embassy. Food and beverages are also not permitted. Applicants may check cell phones and electronic devices with the security guards at the consular entrance

3. Immigrant Visa Fees

If you have previously paid all fees due to the National Visa Center or on the appointment website, there will be no additional fees to pay on the day of the interview. If you have not paid the required fees, please be prepared to pay on the day of your interview. All fees may be paid in U.S. dollars or the RON dollar equivalent. We accept cash and credit cards only.

Please note if a person is found ineligible to receive a visa, the application fee cannot be refunded. A complete list of fees can be found here.